pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (12 U.S.C. 1841 et seq.) (BHC Act), Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225), and all other applicable statutes and regulations to become a bank holding company and/or to acquire the assets or the ownership of, control of, or the power to vote shares of a bank or bank holding company and all of the banks and nonbanking companies owned by the bank holding company, including the companies listed below.

The applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The application also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)). If the proposal also involves the acquisition of a nonbanking company, the review also includes whether the acquisition of the nonbanking company complies with the standards in section 4 of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843). Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than January 28, 2000.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas (W. Arthur Tribble, Vice President) 2200 North Pearl Street, Dallas, Texas 75201–2272:

1. Texas Capital Bancshares, Inc. Dallas, Texas; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of BankDirect, SSB, Dallas, Texas, a de novo savings bank. Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 30, 1999.

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Secretary of the Board.
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# FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Notice of Proposals To Engage in Permissible Nonbanking Activities or To Acquire Companies that are Engaged in Permissible Nonbanking Activities

The companies listed in this notice have given notice under section 4 of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1843) (BHC Act) and Regulation Y, (12 CFR Part 225) to engage de novo, or to acquire or control voting securities or assets of a company, including the companies listed below, that engages either directly or through a subsidiary or other company, in a nonbanking activity that is listed in § 225.28 of Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.28) or that the Board has determined by Order to be closely related to banking and permissible for bank holding companies. Unless otherwise noted, these activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Each notice is available for inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notice also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the question whether the proposal complies with the standards of section 4 of the BHC Act.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding the applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than January 19, 2000.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland (Paul Kaboth, Banking Supervisor) 1455 East Sixth Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44101–2566):

1. Rurban Financial Corp., Defiance, Ohio; to acquire FiData Technology, Inc., Franklin, Tennessee, and Financial Data Technology Corporation, Defiance, Ohio, and thereby engage in conducting permissible data processing activities, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(14) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. December 30, 1999.

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# FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

# Granting of Request for Early Termination of the Waiting Period Under the Premerger Notification Rules

Section 7A of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. 18a, as added by Title II of the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, requires persons contemplating certain mergers or acquisitions to give the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General advance notice and to wait designated periods before consummation of such plans. Section 7A(b)(2) of the Act permits the agencies, in individual cases, to terminate this waiting period prior to its expiration and requires that notice of this action be published in the **Federal Register**.

The following transactions were granted early termination of the waiting period provided by law and the premerger notification rules. The grants were made by the Federal Trade Commission and the Assistant Attorney General for the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice. Neither agency intends to take any action with respect to these proposed acquisitions during the applicable waiting period.

Trans #	Acquiring	Acquired	Entities
Transactions Granted Early Termination—12/06/1999			
20000483 20000615		E! Entertainment Television, Inc	E! Entertainment Television, Inc.  North American Communication Corporation.
20000627 20000628	Arthur Skidmore Provant, Inc	John Anderson Larry E. Senn and Bernadette Senn	Coolidge Glass Company, Inc. Senn-Delaney Leadership Consulting Group, Inc.
20000635	John J. Rigas Tribune Company Tribune Company Amazon.com, Inc Richard Li Flowserve Corporation Charming Shoppes, Inc RailWorks Corporation Red Hat, Inc	American Cable TV Investors 5, Ltd Philip Heit LInda Meeks Pets.com, Inc SoftNet Systems, Inc Innovative Valve Technologies, Inc Catherines Stores Corporation Betty A. and Glenn P. Twigg Cygnus Solutions	American Cable TV Investors 5, Ltd. Meeks Heit Publishing Company. Meeks Heit Publishing Company. Pets.com, Inc. SoftNet Systems, Inc. Innovative Valve Technologies, Inc. Catherines Stores Corporation. Twigg Corporation. Cygnus Solutions.